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Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR PROVIDING A SINGLE TELEPHONE  
NUMBER FOR USE WITH A PLURALITY OF TELEPHONE HANDSETS

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**REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED JUNE 10, 2009**

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This Reply is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on June 10, 2009 in connection with the above-identified patent application.

The Examiner requires restriction to one of the following two groups of claims:

Group I – Claims 1, 3-11, 13-17, 27-36, 39-44 and 47-64, drawn to a system and method for providing a single telephone number for use with a digital cordless handset and with second handset, classified in class 379, subclass 211.04.

Group II – Claims 65-66, drawn to a system for providing communication in a network, the system comprising: a plurality of communication devices in the network, each of the plurality of communication devices being adapted to be associated with a plurality of selectable telephone numbers, wherein each of the plurality of selectable

telephone numbers is associated with one of a plurality of call processing services, classified in class 455, subclass 461.

Applicants' representative hereby elects with traverse Group I (Claims 1, 3-11, 13-17, 27-36, 39-44 and 47-64, drawn to a system and method for providing a single telephone number for use with a digital cordless handset and with second handset, classified in class 379, subclass 211.04) for further prosecution on the merits.

Should there be any questions regarding this paper, the Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number below.

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